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BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

The Bishop Scott grammar school for boys will be reopened in September on the new site near Yambill, formerly known as North Yambill.

The war department has awarded the contract for the building and erection of 11 lock gates in the Celilo ca nal at The Dalles.

President Wilson has nominated Milton A. Miller of Lebanon to be collector of internal revenue for the district of Oregon.

Governor West has appointed Arthur Clark, of Corvallis, prosecuting attorney of the fourth district, to succeed E. E. Wilson, who has sent in his resignation to become effective July 1. of time.

To discuss general conditions and measures for the improvement of trees and crops, a meeting of all prune growers in the state will be held at Salem

State Game Warden Finley will liberate 1500 China peasants this month in eastern Oregon counties. The fish car will be sent to Roseburg with 10,-000,000 trout fry for planting.

The striking teamsters at Springfield have returned to work with no definite agreement as to wages, although it is said the city council is inclined to be liberal.

A campaign for a \$165,000 building fund for Albany College to erect buildings on the new campus, recently purchased southwest of Albany, was launched at the annual commencement exercises of the college.

Governor West has appointed Dr. Jules Fernando, Morel, of Portland, until recently state veterinarian, a delegate to the department of agriculture of international exhibition to be held at Ghent, Belgium.

The desperado who was killed at The Dalles by Artie Harriman while the latter was defending his ranch home, was positively identified as Cecil Pettyjohn by his half-brother, Thomas Pettyjohn.

The salmon fishing season on the Rogue river in Curry county has opened, and the indications are that there will be a good catch. This is the first time that the river has been open to fishing since 1910.

Secretary of the Interior Lane has granted the petition of the Vale chamber of commerce and restored to settlement and entry 6000 acres of land along the Malheur river, withdrawn for reclamation purposes.

After a full consideration of the subject, the members of the state fair board have decided not to use a halfmile track this year for the harness races, but to use it only for the novelty and relay races.

A movement to save from the hangman's noose Robert Morgan, sentenced to death for the murder of Virgie Hart, his sweetheart, at Condon last year, has been inaugurated in Portland, and letters have been sent to Governor West urging commutation.

bulletin prepared by State Dairy and Food Commissioner Mickle gives the value of the dairy output in Oregon in 1912 at \$19,000,000. No farm crop for that year is valued at more than \$12,000,000, the livestock industry of course exceeding that figure.

With two of the original members of the association present and with one graduate attending who has been present at every reunion for 22 consecutive years, the Alumni Association of Albany College met in 40th annual reunion at Albany.

S. Benson, millionaire timberman of Portland, will spend a fortune in an effort to secure the adoption of a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture, importation and sale of whiskey, gin and similar spiritous li-

Secretary of the Navy Daniels has written to Superintendent of Public Instruction Alderman that the petition, signed by more than \$0,000 Oregon school children, that the battleship Oregon lead the parade through the Panama Canal at the formal opening. would be carefully considered.

That 35 clips of wool, amounting to over 750,000 pounds, will be offered at the wool sales at Condon is now assured. There are 36 clips in the warehouses now and others to come. The wool already there amounts to 1343 sacks, or approximately \$87,000 pounds.

The instructional work of the de partments of mining, engineering and of forestry at Oregon Agricultural College will be reorganised before the opening of the next school year and the departments will in the future be known respectively as the school of mines and the school of forestry.

Announcement has been made that the girls' training school, provided for by an sot passed at the last session of the legislature, would be opened July 1. The old polytechnic building on the grounds of the deaf mute home at Salem will be used until a building for which \$50,000 has been appropriat

ed, can be erected. Jack F. Adams, who was recently found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing Barney Chamberlain on the evening of February 7, is to be hanged at the state penitentiary at Salem Friday, July 18. That was the sentence pronounced by Judge Eakin of the circuit court at Astoria

HAWAHAN VOLCANO TO BE FORTRESS

Hawalian Islands have taken possession of the crater of a large extinct volcano situated on the coast, and are working night and day to convert it into a fortress capable of withstanding a long siege. Ammunition and food supplies are being stored within it, guns are being mounted, a water supply has been arranged for and gardens have been planted on the slopes of the crater to provide food and thus render the place self-sustaining in case it is besieged for any great length

This information reached Boston from an authentic source in Honolulu, and the communication further said that Americans residing in the Hawaiian Islands, including troops, are much exercised over the Japanese situation.

FRISCO GRAFTER SENTENCED Policeman Who Sold Protection

Bunco Men Gets Five Years. San Francisco.-Frank Esola, for 16 years an officer of the San Francisco police department, was sentenced by Judge Dunne in the superior court to serve five years in Folsom peniten-

He had been found guilty of selling protection to bunco men. The specific conviction was on the charge that he had been an accomplice of Michael Gallo, now in San Quentin, in fleecing John Folds, a Modesto farmer, out of \$900 in December, 1910. The maxinium penalty possible was 10 years.

Lewiston Goods Confiscated. Lewiston, Idaho.—The investigation by the state pure food commissioners Idaho while in Lewiston resulted in confiscation of a large quantity of groceries and fruits.

IDAHO BANKER HAS PLAN

End of State Debts and Taxes Desire of Weiser Banker.

Weiser.-One of the most remarkable plans proposed in this state to free Idaho from indebtedness and place the state on a non-taxation basis was presented to the Idaho Bankers' Association at its recent meeting here by Senator D. W. Davis, of American Falls, president of the First National Bank, of that city. He proposed the sale of 300,000 acres of land a year by the state to raise a sum of more than \$30,000,000 to be loaned out at interest, part of the interest money to be placed aside from year to year in a surplus fund, thereby multiplying the state's earning capacity.

Idaho has 2,934,000 acres that are unsold. Under the law only 25 sections, or 16,000 acres, can be sold each year. At this rate it would take the state more than 183 1-3 years to dispose of its land holdings.

Taking the total assets of the state as a basis, Senator Davis proposes by his plan to build a financial earning producer for Idaho so that in 11 years taxes would be reduced 40 per cent by paying the cost of the state's schools out of the earnings, leaving a balance to add to the working fund to provide every cent of revenue required in the state, county and municipalities, long before the resources of the state can be brought into action under the pres ent system.

Balkan War Near Again.

London.-Both sides refusing to make the slightest concession, war between the Balkan states is growing more imminent. If Bulgaria sends a negative reply to the Servian noteand nothing indicates that she will answer otherwise-Servia and Greece will proclaim the annexation of the occupied Macedonian territories, thereby establishing a definite casus belli

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